## Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: April 26-27, 2006

**Reference No.:** 2.2c.(4)

Action Item

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**Environmental Analysis** 

### Ref: APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING,

<u>06-Fre-41, PM 0.0/7.1</u> <u>RESOLUTION E-06-08</u>

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolution E-06-08.

#### **ISSUE:**

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Negative Declaration (ND) has been completed:

• Route 41 in Fresno County – Road widening near Easton.

This project in Fresno County will widen a 7.1-mile portion of State Route 41 near Easton from two lanes to four lanes. This project is not fully funded. The project is, however, fully funded in the 2004 State Transportation Improvement Program for project development, right of way support, and right of way capital in the amount of \$11,080,000. The project needs an additional \$47,063,000 for construction capital and support. The total estimated project cost is \$58,143,000, and the project is estimated to begin construction in Fiscal Year 2009-10.

A copy of the Negative Declaration has been provided to Commission staff. The Department has approved this project for construction. This approval and the filing of the Notice of Determination with the Office of Planning and Research will satisfy the environmental requirements for this stage of the project planning process.

Attachments

#### CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

# Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding 06-Fre-41, PM 0.1/7.1 Resolution E-06-08

- **1.1 WHEREAS,** the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed a Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
  - Route 41 in Fresno County Road widening near Easton.
- **1.2 WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that the Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- **1.3 WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Negative Declaration; and
- **1.4 WHEREAS,** the project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- **2.1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby approve the above referenced project to allow for future consideration of funding.

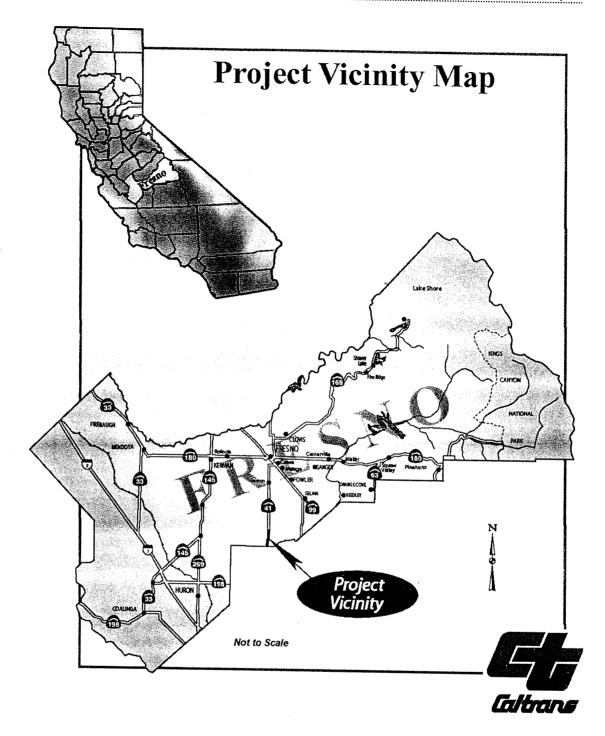


Figure 1-1 Project Vicinity Map

Excelsior Expressway